



STATE OF NEW YORK
DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE
STATE BOARD OF REAL PROPERTY TAX SERVICES

RESOLUTION 14-04

WHEREAS, John M. Bacheller, was appointed to the State Board of Real Property Services on April 15, 1997, and reappointed on May 3, 2004 remaining on the Board through June 19, 2014, serving a total of 17 years under four New York State Governors, becoming one of the longest-serving members in the Board's history; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Bacheller leaves an estimable record of 27 years of experience in State government as a former State official with expertise in the areas of local government and property tax. Dr. Bacheller was responsible for the creation of economic development policy for various institutions within New York State government. Dr. Bacheller served as Deputy Commissioner for Policy and Research at the New York State Department of Economic Development, and as Senior Vice President at Empire State Development Corporation retiring in 2007. Previously, Dr. Bacheller was Principal Program Associate for the State Senate Majority, where his primary areas of responsibility were economic development, science and technology, local government, and the real property tax; and,

WHEREAS, the State Board acknowledges that Dr. Bacheller brought to the Board in his 17 years serving as a Member of the State Board extensive experience as an economist and analyst with an active interest in the programs of the Office of Real Property Tax Services (ORPTS); and

WHEREAS, Dr. Bacheller leaves a record that will be nearly impossible to match and creates a void that will be equally difficult to fill. During his tenure as a Member, the State Board embraced many changes including the implementation of the historic STAR program was, the enhancement of the State Aid programs, the modernization of the equalization rate process, the enhancement of the annual aid program, and, more recently, the merger of the New York State Office of Real Property Services with the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Bacheller was totally dedicated to the challenging issues facing the State Board and demonstrated immense professionalism and invaluable guidance and insights in carrying out the work of the State Board, and for that the State Board of Real Property Tax Services is grateful; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Bacheller's tenure on the Board was marked by his superb judgment, thorough analysis and appreciation and understanding of the complexity of the issues before the State Board; and

